

## Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph on the cover sheet within the Abstract with the following rewritten paragraph:

-A method and apparatus for measuring the amount of liquid in a container, ~~especially comprising~~ and providing means for making ~~said~~ liquid flow from ~~said the~~ container to a point of use, in which the weight  $P_i$  in the container is measured at a time  $t_i$ , this measurement being repeated at predetermined time intervals. The weight change  $\Delta P_i = P_i - P_{i+1}$  of liquid between times  $t_i$  and  $t_{i+1}$ , thus  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ , is also measured so as to generate a signal indicating that the container may be ~~considered as being~~ empty when  $\Delta P_i$  is less than a predetermined fraction of the weight of the container and/or of the liquid initially contained in the latter.-